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Are you a Gopher?

Have you signed the pledge to keep it a profound secret?

before me this 28th day of February, A. D. 1993. M. B. HUNGATE. (Seal.) Notary Public.

Government by injunction is always the final prop for government by corporation.

The Bartley investigating committee feeble effort to find nothing.

Hurry up those constitutional amendments. There is not much time to be lost if they are to pass before the session closes.

The appointment by both houses of the legislature of committees on final adjournment is pretty good evidence of the beginning of the end.

ocratic reorganizers to crush him in his own state at their peril.

The Bartley investigating committee has made its report, but as the committee has not yet been discharged, the important business that keeps Bartley out of the state cannot be neglected.

As long as Dr. Parkhurst and General Funsion content themselves with shooting paper wads at each other with the whole continent between them, their pastime is not likely to become dangerous.

Just to keep up the excitement Great commanders. From the advance news, embalmed beef and Philippine atrocities will not be in the same class.

It is said that tariff reform and trust perialism and militarism on the demohand in the convention of 1904.

George Gould is ambitious to make his Wabash road one of the coal lines sharing in the traffic of the anthracite miners are too tempting to be resisted.

The Real Estate exchange and the Commercial club have withdrawn their cross bills in the suit for divorce. Both are supposed to be working earnestly for the advancement and prosperity of could pulling apart.

If we only have a few more legisla tive committees to look into the crooked manipulations of former state treasurers, the taxpayers of Nebraska will learn that while the treasury has been looted to the extent of hundreds of thousands of dollars, nobody ever bene- the long-talked of land bill, the purpose fited even a penny by the loss.

attorney general, who is to be specially the terms agreed upon some time since assigned to the Department of Com- at the Dublin conference of landlords merce to enforce the law upon the and tenants and which were entirely trusts is known as a legal authority on satisfactory to the Irish political leadbankruptcy. Some of the trusts may ers. The proposition that the governneed an expert in bankruptcy in run- ment shall make a free grapt of \$60,000 .ning up against the prohibitions of the 000 for carrying out the purpose of ber of the "General Committee" is refederal laws while President Roosevelt the measure certainly appears liberal puted to be a man who salted down is at the helm;

Mark it down that in both house and Ireland. unsuccessful is no fault of the Douglas bare subsistence. The country has been want their identity and their workings blue may become a little more regardful delegation as a delegation.

A MENACING SITUATION.

consols during the last few days, mainly due, as it appears, to the moneis a circumstance the significance of which should not be underestimated. It money markets, constitutes a menace to the financial affairs of the world and favored by a large section of the unionmay prove to be the beginning of a list party in Ireland. There appears to widespread reaction, with consequences be no doubt that it will be adopted by that cannot be foreseen.

London advices say that the possibility of consols being in the 80s has created consternation, "not only among speculators and investors, but in the great banking interests," which have hitherto considered 90 as being the lowest possible price the security was likely to go to. It is further stated that should consols go down to and remain below 90 every British bank will be obliged to reorganize its reserve and get out new balances upon a fresh basis. There is talk of the government stepping in as a buyer of its own securities, but it is pointed out that this would not give the needed relief, since financial lenders would doubtless withdraw loans in order to get more favorable terms elsewhere. At any rate the British government is hardly in a position to buy its own securities. The national exchequer has no considerable surplus that can be used in this way and besides the goverument is preparing to negotiate a new loan of \$150,000,000-a fact that may have a more or less decided bearing upon the decline in consols.

What effect the English monetary situation will have upon financial affairs in this country is uncertain, but it would seem that it must be unfavorable and that If the stringency abroad becomes more intense it is quite possible that it may have a severe effect here. There has recently been heavy borrowing of foreign money. Large sums have been drawn from abroad by the higher rates of interest here, yet the American money market is still close and will become more so if there appears to have exhausted itself in a is no more foreign money to be borrowed, as seems probable. It is easy to understand that this would cause a shrinkage in values and very possibly some curtailment of industrial and business activity. If there should be an extensive withdrawal of foreign capital loaned here the consequences to business and prosperity might be serious. but so long as that capital can earn more here than abroad it will of course remain with us.

Having entertained the fusion members of the legislature at luncheon, don financial situation that should cause alarm in this country, but it cerbers of the state. To pass than downright other fax avers of the state. To pass the forthe price of meat." The fact that such bribers and the country but it cerbers of these other countles who would suffer by the fact that it would be almost improved, and now the guilty trust is up for conservatism and may well disturb those who have unduly extended credits in the search for a lawyer capable of or are heavily loaded with the securities of overcapitalized combinations.

THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP. A Washington dispatch to the Philadelphia Press states that President Roosevelt is a good deal out of mand who could do equally well. patience with the petty jealousles and Manifestly the astute manager wants squabbles of local committees and organizations in some of the cities he expects to visit on his western tour. and light franchise and annex the po-The correspondent says the president lice commission for some scheme that deprecates any attempt to use his visits he has up his sleeve. Britain will hold a court-martial on the to exploit any factionalism or to give conduct of one of its chief military his presence any political significance, as was sought to be done in Chicago. It appears that St. Paul and Minneap- Old-time politicians of Omaha doubtless there are local squabbles at other what was then known as the "Gopher extinction are to take the place of im- points as to how he shall be entertained. Klan." Members of that oathbound cratic program. If so, which will rank distasteful and annoying to Mr. Roose- to profound secrecy and implicit obedias paramount will depend upon which velt, who is coming west wholly for ence by the head Gophers, who maswing of the party holds the winning recreation and to meet the people of a queraded as reformers, but in reality he will talk to the people. They ex- of publicity was turned on them and he did not address them. But it is en- dispersed like so many prairie dogs and region. In other words, the profits in tirely safe to say that his talk will not sight from prospective coal business be political. There is no reason why it notwithstanding higher wages to the should be, inasmuch as there is no camat this time in order to make himself more secure in the esteem and confidence of western republicans. The president was prevented from visiting Omaha and they can certainly accom- to fulfill the promise he then made. the past few weeks. It reads as folplish more working together than they There should be nothing to cause him lows; annoyance or embarrassment on the trip, but every possible effort exerted to contribute to his pleasure.

FOR BETTERMENT OF IMELAND. At last the secretary for Ireland has introduced in the House of Commons of which is to enable Irish tenants to become owners of the lands they oc-The newly appointed assistant to the cupy. The measure follows very closely

senate the scheme to turn back on the little at least assumed that the new full value texation of the franchised plan will operate for the betterment of possess a dollar of surplus when elected corporations was sprung by a member that country, so long distressed by to office three years ago, bought a farm of the Douglas delegation when every rapacious and oppressive landlordism. Inst summer for \$10,000 spot cash representative of this city and county Under the existing system the Irish peo | cleaned up from | road | grading | and ought to be squarely against corporate ple have been impoverished and held bridge building. Other members of the tax evasion. That the efforts of the in bondage by the landlords, with nothfranchised corporations to unload upon ing to encourage them to any greater public pap since their nurses wiped the the other taxpayers have been so far effort than was necessary to obtain a milk off their chins. No wonder they hammering away, such corporations as the

There is so intimate a connection be- conditions grow worse from year to listing for this war and the next. tary stringency in the London market, trious, thrifty and prosperous people. The proposed plan is not expected to encounter any serious opposition, denotes a condition which it is not ex- though it is not approved by a small travagant to say, remembering that minority of Irish peers. It is underthere is stringency in other foreign stood to have the indorsement of a large majority of the Irish landlords and is

CHAPTER TWELVE.

Parliament.

It is in accord with the eternal fitness of things for the manager of the elec-

Under chapter xii it is made unlaw ful for any officer of the city to become the advantages and profits of any contract work or letting to be made under authority of and by the city council. If this provision of the charter would strain upon the generosity of the state invalidate the proposed franchise, as is to have to repay the expenses incurred claimed by the attorney for the electric by Mr. Hill in defending his illegal delighting company, the attempt to re. posit of state money? strain the council by injunction is a waste of energy and the employment of a member of the fire and police commission to procure such an order a waste of corporation funds.

It is passing strange, however, that the manager of the electric lighting company has not had his attention previously called to the provisions of chapter xii, which makes it a misdemeanor for a member of the city council to become directly or indirectly interested in contracts with or the purchase and sale of material furnished to franchised corporations. It is a matter of notoriety that one member of the city council, who was afraid to vote for the new power and light franchise ordinance because it might subject him to been for more than a year on the pay-Houston Electric Lighting company war. with thousands upon thousands of dollars' worth of fuel in violation of the charter provisions.

tion. It is also very remarkable that their face. citing chapter xit to the court the manager of the electric lighting company had to light upon a member of the of chapter xii, when there are at least a hundred other lawyers at his comto kill two birds with one stone. He wants to knock out the proposed power

THE NEW GOPHER KLAN. There is nothing new under the sun. olis are squabbling over the honor of remember the first underground politentertaining the president and that ical reform movement instituted by It is easy to understand that this is dark-lantern organization were pledged section of the country in which he has were place hunters banded together for long taken a great interest. Of course political spoils. When the searchlight were heard of no more.

The Gophers of 1903 belong to the same species as the Gophers of 1873. paign this year and certainly Mr. Their methods and tactics are abso-Roosevelt does not need to talk politics lutely the same. Their object is to go for everything in sight and out of sight, but always working in the dark. A sample brick of Gopher methods is the confidential pledge which has been ex-

Omaha, Neb., March..... 1908. I hereby make application for membership to the "General Committee," an erganization for the promotion of good clean city and county government, and whether accepted to membership or not, I hereby pledge myself to keep its workings and identity a profound secret and will be governed by the actions of said committee.

> Name..... Address Ward Precinct

Recommended by The general committee is run by an inside ring known as the executive place hunters, whose teeth have been sharpened by nibbling at the big municipal and county cheese. One memand ought to have the hoped for effect \$20,000 in county warrants, net profits of promoting peace and contentment in of four years' thrift in feeding prisoners in the county fail. Another member of the "Rooters," who was not known to "General Committee" have lived on

those who remained there have seen to the Gopher Klan, whom they are en-

tween financial conditions abroad and year. Most pathetic stories of hardship If all the tenderfoot Gophers can be financial conditions in this country that and destitution have come from Ireland prevalled on to follow blindly in the the existing situation in the English in recent years. The proposed land bill path laid out for them by the committee money market must command the seri- will remedy this unfortunate state of and ask no questions, the Gopher chiefs ous attention of American financial in affairs, which has been a bitter re- confidently look forward to a superb terests. The marked decline in British proach to the British government, and repast at the municipal crib. But The there is reason to believe that there Bee would enjoin upon all loyal sumption may breed so that we shall not will be a new Ireland, with an indus- Gophers to keep this fact a profound lack for patients." "The point about this secret.

> The proposition to repay ex-State Treasurer Hill for alleged expenses inbank wreckers will not commend itself to people familiar with the case. The 200 or 300 feet the narrow street becomes depository law prohibits the state treas- a dark canyon, and most of the offices urer from depositing in any bank de. so many dark, unwholesome breeding pisces pository more than 10 per cent of its authorized capital. Had Treasurer Hill Manhattan, where the streets are still as complied with the law his deposit in narrow and crocked as when the Dutch the Capital National bank would not burghers laid them out or their cows have exceeded \$50,000 and the state tric lighting company, acting through could not have lost more than \$40,000 one of its employes, to ask for an order at the very worst. But for reasons best of court restraining the city council known to himself Mr. Hill had more area are most urgent. The total area of from submitting to the voters of Omaha than \$250,000 of state funds on deposit the proposition to grant an electric in the Capital National bank when it power and light franchise and to cite collapsed and by his illegal action enchapter xii of the Compiled Statutes tailed a loss of \$236,000 upon the state, stories or more (generally more) were of 1901 as a ground for court interven. besides the interest and cost of prosecu- standing at the beginning of the present tion. It was a great streak of luck for him and his bondsmen that the jury \$10,000,000, adding 50 acres of available cleared him by a Scotch verdict. It has moor space above the level of their reinterested in or in any way partake of always been suspected that the potential spective fifth stories. Many others are influence exerted by the bondsmen was responsible for this extraordinary finding. Would it not be a tremendous

> > to increase the consumption of that off, in Havemeyer hall, where the lecture beverage might get some valuable pointers from the brewers. The brewers have waged a systematic campaign of printers' ink to make their brands and or through a cloud. Then his audience brews familiar throughout the land, went wild with applause. Liberal patronage of the advertising columns of the newspapers will do as much for the tea business by popular- his demonstration he had lectured at

sary for the tea men to do is to wake

up and to slopt modern business methods. General Miles has made an official report of his observations on his Oriental trip, but it is to be kept as a confidential document. It would not penalties for contempt of court, has do to let the Oriental monarchs know how much we know about their millroll of the electric lighting company. tary establishments. They will be per-It is a matter of notoriety also that an- fectly welcome, however, to send all other member, who entertains such the envoys they please over here to haused atmosphere of a Cooke's tube can awful fears, has supplied the Thomson- observe how Uncle Sam prepares for travel with one-tenth the speed of light, it would be a bad thing for them to do so.

The bill to change the method of apportioning the state school fund is a bill To the ordinary unsophisticated mind to hit Omaha taxpayers, but incidenpower franchise needs no other explana- also to cut off their own nose to spite

Not Much of a Lond. Atlanta Constitution

Our army of 60,000 men costs the people just a little less than \$1 per capita per police and fire commission in violation annum. This lacks a good deal of "making every taxpayer carry a soldier on his back' -in fact, we are hardly carrying a soldier's cap apiece.

Crucial Test of Skill. San Francisco Call

The effort of the Agricultural department to breed a chicked without feathers is good in its way, but after all it is nothing in comparison to the effort to produce a democratic candidate for the presidency without a political record.

The Universal Critic.

New York World. Mr. Bryan in the role of universal critic s one the people are becoming accustomed to, but he should not object when he in turn is held up to criticism. As an old laconic saying expresses it, "He who would shun criticism must not be a scribbler; and he who would court it must have great abilities or great folly."

Hustle for Your Share, Portland Oregonian.

A current circulation of \$30, barring a tiny fraction, for every man, woman and pect it and would not be satisfied if their doings exposed to public view they the best showing ever made by any nation for everybody. Its distribution is a trifle in gaining entrance to the poor, and peralways in a state of disturbance and rectification.

Stands to His Credit.

St. Paul Pioneer Press. The readiness with which President Roosevelt recedes from any position when convinced that he has made a mistake is four other lawyers, and one of them had as much to be admired as his tenacity in even gone so far as to take his case into the west last year and he now intends | tensively circulated in this city within sticking to a purpose when he knows he court. is right. The Plimley case, where he with drew a commission for an \$8,000 appointment after the nominee had been confirmed by the senate, on a request from that body, illustrates one characteristic; his attitude in refusing to exclude negroes from office, the other.

Daring Railroad Projects. New York Tribune.

With unbroken railway connections be ween Behring strait and Patagonia, promised in no long time by Special Commissloner Pepper, Cecil Rhodes' Cape to Cairo scheme, continentally embracing as it is, which they originate, the sunset and dawn of the past and rising centuries bringing richer gifts to man than any in the processien from the times of Hammurabi, and his old tables of law outdating Moses, down to merchant accosted the city man, with a the present.

Missouri Showed Them.

Minneapolis Times. The beef trust has been brought to calization of the fact that the Missour anti-trust law means something. It may not stand the test of the supreme court of him on his journey about this time in 1900. the United States, but it certainly has Everyone knows him about here. He never been approved by the highest tribunal of gets further than the Broadway corner.' the state of Missouri. Whether it is a perfect law or not it is a significant indication of the trend of modern legislation relating to combinations for the ar pocessaries of life. If courts and legislatures-to say nothing of congress-keep steadily depleted of population, while kept a profound secret by the recruits of the rights of the public in time

ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK,

Metropolis,

Ripples on the Current of Life in the

"How considerate we are," exclaimed Hon, Wheeler H. Peckham in a recent ad-"We build hospitals for the poor consumptive and then we turn around and build skyrcraping structures where conobservation is only becoming apparent to New Yorkers," writes a correspondent of the Pittsburg Dispatch. "So long as the skyscraper stood alone in the block, surrounded by buildings of moderate height. curred in defending himself as co- it was a pleasing novelty. Its upper ofrespondent with the Capital National fices were must sought after, because they were light and airy. But now that the whole block is built up to the height of for the disease germ. It is becoming really serious, especially in the lower part of this region also building sites are most valuable and the reasons for stacking up as much office room as possible on a given the island is only 12,500 acres, and that of the section below, say, Leonard street, 1 152 acres. Some official statistician has reckoned that 101 buildings of twelve year. Fifteen more are now in process projected and will be built as soon as the supply of structural steel shall catch up with the demand."

Dr. George F. Barker, emeritus professor of physics in the University of Pennsylvania, in a lecture delivered at Columbia University last Thursday held up in his hand a diminutive glass bulb which contained a small quantity of a white sub-The tea importers who are organizing stance. Then he ordered the lights turned was given, took a position where all could see his hand poised aloft, and the white substance in the little bulb began to gleam, as a distant star will shine on a dark night

Prof. Barker explained that this was 'radium," the wonderful element which was discovered recently. Before he made izing the demand. The only thing neces- length and shown tests on the power of cathode rays and Roentgen rays, with which he has had long expensionce. In iutroducing radium he said the rays sent out by that element would make all other

rays look like tallow dips. "Here," he said, "we have an element which holds within itself apparently the power to give out rays. It overthrews all the old ideas through its conservation of energy, for its inherent power scems never to diminish. If you have respect for the privileges. discoveries of Crooke and Roentgen you should have exceeding reverence for the wonderful powers contained in radium.

energy within it is so harmless that I can hold it in my hand or put it in my pocket."

After dwelling for some time on the wonderful things that might have been accomplished by means of radium. Prof. Baker said that; unfortunately, its prosthese employments and concessions are tally it also hits a large majority of the wonderful things that might have been ac- sourl you shall maintain no combination

Barker, holding a piece of pitchblende up in | there is no doubt. his hand, "contains less than one-tenth millionth of 1 per cent of radium. The largest quantity of radium I have seen was in Paris. It weighed three centigrams, was the size of a buchshot and was valued

at \$20,000." The new element was discovered in 1899 by Mme. Curie, a Polish woman, and the wife of a professor in the Ecole Industrielle of Paris, who had been making a series Dame college. of experiments with uranium.

A woman lawyer who has won her way to the front ranks and a large practice was last night telling a club of mer and women of that remarkable thing in the life of every lawyer-the first client. "I had been admitted but a day or so," she said, "when 'Hark from the tomb doleful sound'-literally from the Tombs, and unmistakably doleful.

"It was from a man who was incarcerated in the city prison. He had seen my name in print, and desired to benefit of my professional services, I decided to go and see him.

"I did not permit anyone to accompany me. No one should see my first attempt, or be possibly a witness to my humiliation or failure. I carried a letter of introducthe price of a sew or a spring overcoat tion to the warden, and found no difficulty irregular, but that is like the sea's level, haps wronged prisoner, who was awaiting my aid for his deliverance.

"I was ushered into a barred room, fr which sat little groups of waiting people. My man was ushered in-a big, coarse, uncouth fellows, who had no case what ever, and no chance for defense. And still more than that, he had engaged three or

"Well, I need not say that I was chagrined and humiliated. I went directly home and in the privacy of my own bed room, with the door shut, I had a good crythe first and the last I ever had in connection with the practice of my profession."

Walking up Lafayette Place, relates the Evening Post, the city man met the starving, weary, but still determined seeker for

"I've just walked in from Jamaica, sir, said the fellow. "I've got a friend at Eleventh avenue and Fifty-ninth street. Which way is it? And I'm pretty hungry and enjoys no monopoly of grandiosity. Both tired." In his hand he held a crumpled are worthy of the enterprising period in paper with an address on it at the location mentioned. He got a nickel, so that he might ride to his friend, instead of walk. and get a meal the more quickly. Half a block along a presperous-looking

smile, "Eleventh avenue and Fifty-ninth street?" he inquired, affably. "Yes." replied the city man, now per-

fectly aware that he was the object of "That fellow's been three years going there," explained the merchant. "I helped

Seasonable 4 reasonable

THE OLD RELIABLE



THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE

FRYING OUT SOME FAT.

Indianapolis Journal: The five packing ouses in Missouri, which have been fined \$5.000 each because they belonged to the Beef trust, can pay their fines and go on. If they do not pay within thirty days they will be ousted from the state. That is, it coats the members of a trust \$5,000 each to do business in Missouri if paid to the state. When a democratic state becomes partner in a trust it cannot be so hideous as it has I to July 4, inclusive. The city is expected been painted.

Philadelphia Ledger: So far as the state of Missouri is concerned, the members of the Beef trust are made outlaws by a judicial decree, as they are in fact. It is true that the payment of the money fine, high as it is, will constitute a triffing penalty in comparison with the enormous extortions of the trust. Yet the power that has imposed this fine upon the outlaws can inflict upon them a more condign penalty should they continue to treat court decrees with Mr. Root probably is the youngest railroad contempt.

Brooklyn Eagle: If they recognize the adgment of the court and pay their fines within thirty days they may continue to do business in the state, but not under any agreement regulating prices. If they do not pay their fines or in any other way disregard the ruling of the court, they are barred from the Missouri markets. The decision will be generally approved, no matter what the constructive effect of it may be upon corporate enterprise and

Baltimore American. With this demonstration of the efficiency of state laws for curbing the trusts it would not be gurprising to see other states copying the Missouri statute. Nor do we know that or about 70,000,000 miles a second. The law has operated to free the people of speed of the radium ray is 120,000,000 miles | Missouri from the operations of this monin a second. Yet, with all that tremendous strous organization which sought to conenergy within it is so harmless that I can trol the dinner tables of the land. It said possible to produce any quantity of it that punishment. If other states could, by enwould have practical value. Prof. Barker acting and enforcing similar laws, achieve said it was obtained from pitchblende, a the same result, there would be no occamineral that is being mined only in Bo- sion for federal interference with the trust hemia and Poland, and that it would take subject, and the trusts would quickly disabout 200,000 tons to produce a pound of appear. We take off our hats to Missouri and congratulate her upon her success as "This little piece of the ore," said Dr. a trust buster, about whose effectiveness

Ex-Secretary Long, who is convalescing at St. Margaret's hospital, Boston, says he is fairly making a diet of newspapers. To Charles J. Bonaparte, a lawyer and

with a man named Wirth. He was able to convince her that she was twice as valuable to him as to her parents.

William Roscoe Thayer, the author, of Boston, and delegate to the International Historical congress, which will be held in Rome in April, has arrived in that city. A newspaper man giving testimony in Jefferson City, Mo., confessed that he had

two \$5,000 bills. The habit of his brethren commonly is to conceal, so far as possible their possession of these considerable sums. The National Dressmakers' association in convention assembled has decided to

increase the price of gowns from 15 to 20 per cent. This announcement coming now will be likely to bear the June matrimonial market. "It is hard," sighed Mrs. Hetty Green when a cruel Hoboken official compelled

her to pay a dog tax of \$2. At that parmoment Mrs. Green probably ticular thought she descerned dimfy the outlines of the poorhouse. M. White, the Russian minister of finance, is an ardent temperance worker.

He is a tectotaler and induced the czar to decorate the men and women who are the most active in temperance work. He makes no secret of his preference for teaotalers in the various offices of the department he controls. Colonel "Dan" Lamont has set a good

example to the tax dodgers by writing from Egypt to the president of the tax department in New York that he would like to have his personal property tax assessment kept open till he should return to the United States, as he had no wish to evade payment of taxes in New York.

The colonel was assessed on \$80,000 of personality, and the president of the tax department says: "We will walt for him."

The degree of LL. D. is to be conferred upon President Roosevelt by the University of Chicago. There is a good deal of doctoring to be done the laws, but Mr. Roosevelt has not waited for his degree before beginning practice.

Toronto, Ontario, is to have an old home gathering this summer, to last from July to appropriate \$5,000 for the expenses and citizens to add \$10,000 more, and an earnest effort is to be made to get as many as possible of the thousands of Canadian birth now residing in the United States to return and join in the festivities.

Eight years ago Oren Root, jr., was a clerk in the office of the Metropolitan Street Railroad company of New York Now he is general manager, with 460 miles of track and 14,000 men under his control. manager in the world, being only 29 years old, a quiet, reticent men of whom it has been said that "he can say nothing for hours." He is a nephew of Elihu Root, secretary of war.

POINTED AND PLEASANT.

"I never saw a man with such a head for business," said the first fly, "Smart, is he?" queried the other. "Oh! I mean for our business. He's so very baid-headed."—Chicago Tribune.

He—But you admitted to my sister yea-erday that you were in the wrong. She—Suppose I did? He—Well, then, why won't you make up with me?
She—I will as soon as you apologize.—
Philadelphia Press.

Tramp—Is dis all yer kin gimme—er cup-ul uv cold water? Kind Lady—Of course not. You can have s many cupfuls as you want.—Chicago

ership in all forms? "I am," answered Senator Sorghum; "I hold our glorious government in too much affection to run the risk of hearing it denounced as a wicked monopoly."—Washing-

She stepped into a place whose window ore this legend:
"Messenger Boys Furnished."
Walking up to the clerk behind a desk, "Could I get a boy any cheaper unfur-nished?"--Baltimore American.

He-I met your friend Biff when I was own in my automobile this morning. She-Indeed! Did he say anything to "I should say he did! I ran over his dog!" -Yonkers Statesman.

philanthropist, has been awarded the "Remember," said the optimist, "every Lactare medal, the greatest gift of Notre day'll be Sunday, by and by."

Dame college.

A New York girl named Double eloped with a man named Wigh. He was abled

COMING OF SPRING.

Alfred Tennyson Now fades the last long streak of snow, Now burgeons every maze of quick About the flowering squares, and thick By ashen roots the violets blow.

Now rings the woodland loud and long, The distance takes a loveller hue, And drowned in yonder living blue The lark becomes a sightless song. Now dance the lights on lawn and lea.
The flocks are whiter down the vale,
And milkier every milky sail
On winding stream or distant sea;

Where now the seamew pipes, or dives in yonder greening gleam, and fly The happy birds, that change their sky To build and brood; that live their lives

From land to land; and in my breas Spring wakens, too; and my regret Becomes an April violet, And buds and blossoms like the rest.

GRAIN COFFEE

The coffee habit is quickly overcome by those who let Grain-O take its place. If properly made it tastes like the best of coffee. No grain coffee compares with it in flavor or healthfulness.

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